

**A M E N D M E N T**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please **AMEND** the claims as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

1. (Original) A method for facilitating the purchase of fractional lottery tickets using a point-of-sale terminal, comprising:
  - determining a monetary value;
  - allocating a portion of a ticket, the portion being based on the monetary value;
  - outputting a ticket identifier that identifies the ticket and a portion identifier that identifies the allocated portion of the ticket; and
  - storing the ticket identifier and the portion identifier.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of determining a monetary value comprises:
  - determining a monetary value based on an amount of change due for a purchase.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
  - selecting the ticket from a plurality of tickets.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, in which the step of selecting the ticket from a plurality of tickets comprises:

selecting a ticket having an unallocated portion at least as great as the monetary value.

5. (Original) The method of claim 3, in which the step of selecting the ticket from a plurality of tickets comprises:

determining a set of tickets that each have an unallocated portion at least as great as the monetary value; and

selecting a ticket from the set of tickets which has a minimal unallocated portion

**Claims 6-36 (Cancelled)**